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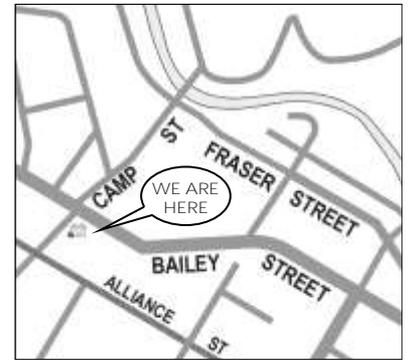


NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE INC.

Clunes
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(at the Lee Medlyn Home of Bottles)

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WHY DRIVE TO BALLARAT FOR BUSINESS SERVICES WHEN YOU CAN DO IT IN CLUNES? SEE BACK COVER FOR INFORMATION

SUMMER Program 2014



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Another new year rolls in, and as always there are changes to accompany it. Over the past two years we have developed a new vision with fresh programming and moved location. The First Tuesday Pizza lunches and Last Thursday Salons have gained a following over 2013 and they are returning in 2014. The Community Space with Community Gardeners and the Clunes Mens Shed are gaining energy and momentum. Indeed the gardens and fruit trees are producing, so pop in on a Tuesday morning, to see what is growing or become involved.

The Lee Medlyn Home of Bottles is finally having some very much-needed building works undertaken. Asbestos will be removed, and a new roof built. The asbestos removal is proposed for February 10 – 14, and so both the Neighbourhood House and Bottle **Museum will be closed during that time. Look out for a 'pop-up' Neighbourhood House** ... at The Warehouse where we will be available to talk about whats happening at the Neighbourhood House...or in Clunes, discuss your ideas and feedback. The other building works will occur until about the middle of March, so whilst the Neighbourhood House office will be open, events and workshops will be programmed at other venues around Clunes. Since the proposed works start and completion dates have some flexibility, confirm venues with us by contacting us, via email or phone 5345 4078.

2014 will see changes in the staffing structure of the Neighbourhood House, to consolidate the refreshed vision and direction (see Jobs advertisement on page 2). Many thanks and best wishes for successful futures to the staff who are moving on: Ann Jeffree who has been the stalwart CNH admin person; and Rebecca Russell who acted as Interim Program Co-ordinator and did a marvellous job in establishing a fresh program and new community connections. I too will be moving on. Look out for the new faces of CNH later in March.

Clunes Neighbourhood House Inc.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

5:30pm, Tuesday March 4th
Supper Room, Clunes Town Hall

All welcome

1st TUESDAY PIZZA LUNCH SPECIAL

Yes they're back!

Local chef Joe Perse creates delicious pizzas to share. Come and join the growing number of people who have discovered our pizza lunches!

Great food, Great conversation

4th February ♦ 4th March ♦ 1st April

12-1:30pm, Supper Room Town Hall ♦ \$5.00 bookings recommended



THURSDAY SALONS

Sharing art, ideas, food and conversation.

Last Thursday of the month in the gallery at the Supper Room, Town Hall.

Bread and soup provided. BYO beverage. \$5.00

February: Thursday 27th, 6-8pm: Introducing GRASSLANDS
A unique theatrical event being developed and performed in Clunes.

Join Rebecca Russell and Ken Evans as they discuss the ideas, artists and process behind their latest production GRASSLANDS. Working with dance puppetry, projection and a stage of living native grasses, GRASSLANDS explores our fragile connection to place. GRASSLANDS brings together an exciting team of local and Melbourne based artists and ecologists to develop this work during 2014. (see feature article page 5)

March: Thursday 27th, 6-8pm:

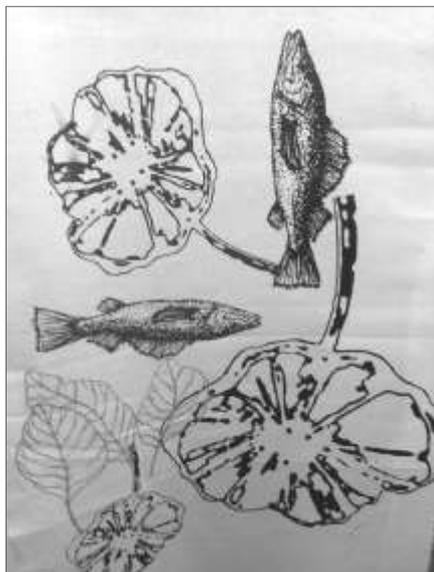
The Booksellers of Clunes present "My First Favourite Book"

Join the booksellers of Clunes as they discuss the first book that rocked their world and set them on the path towards owning a bookshop. Join this discussion about early influences and the impact a good book can have on a young mind. What was your first favourite book?

*Featuring **Pam Adams, Ian Baker, David Bernstien, James Curzon-Siggers, Joan Rogers, Wendy Sattler and Robin Schmidt.***

DESIGN, DYE, PRINT AND MAKE - with Janette Wotherspoon

Textile artist Janette Wotherspoon is offering 4 half day workshops that will inspire your creativity and develop skills and techniques for dyeing and screen printing. This can be used as a way to embellish plain fabrics to create a unique and individual style of your own. The fabrics can then be used to create clothing and or home wares such as cushions or craft items for your self and your home.



*Bookings essential,
these workshops require
a minimum number
of bookings to go ahead.*

Spread the word!

*Venue to be confirmed
on booking.*

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Saturday 1st March, 1pm-4pm, \$35.00 includes fabric
Dyeing Fabric with Natural Dyes.

Use rose petals, tumeric, walnuts and other natural products to dye fabric. This is an inexpensive, easy, fun, and fascinating way to change the colour of drab old material. Bring natural fibre clothing or fabric to dye or work with the fabric provided.

Saturday 15th March, 1pm-4pm, \$30.00

Drawing and designing motifs suitable for screen printing.

Create your own original designs or bring designs to adapt for printing such as gift card and wrapping paper designs. Please bring pencils for drawing, a sketchbook and designs to adapt. Sketchbooks will be available for purchase at the workshop.

Saturday 22nd March, 1pm-4pm, \$35.00 fabric included

Screen printing the motifs and designs on to fabrics as placement prints.

The designs can be used to embellish clothing or homewares you already have. There will be an opportunity to also do some stencil printing using other forms of printing and stamping. Bring along garments or fabric for printing or work with the fabric supplied. Fabric must be natural fibre, 100% cotton or 100% silk are best.

Saturday 29th March, 1-4pm, \$30.00

Make a product, jewellery or embellish clothing using your printed designs.

Make a cushion or a bag or a simple garment from the printed fabrics you have made.

You will be able to access new tips for sewing tuition and product designing advice in this workshop. Bring your sewing machine and garments, cushions etc to embellish. There will be a couple of machines also available on the day.

IN CONVERSATION ... Old fashioned Household Remedies

facilitated by Pam Adams.

Wednesday 12th March, 11am-12.30pm

\$5.00 includes morning tea

SUPPER ROOM, Town Hall

Come and join the conversation on Home Remedies and Brews. Bring along a recipe for your favourite natural product that you can make at home, be it shampoo, air freshener, kitchen or bathroom cleaner, or health remedy. Share your thoughts or just listen and take home some fabulous ideas. Old ideas are new again!

NATIVE GRASSES

identify, propagate, grow

with Dale Tonkinson

Ecologist with 20 years specialising in native grasses.

Thursday 20th March, 6pm-9pm, \$5.00

COMMUNITY SPACE (Alliance St behind the Bottle Museum)

BBQ included, Places limited, Bookings required

Help grow grass for the GRASSLANDS project while learning simple techniques to be able to grow your own. Native grasses are easy to grow and they are perfect for home gardeners, conservation, preservation or farming. Learn basic identification of native grasses and how to successfully propagate from seed and division.



COMMUNITY SPACE *observations from an anonymous community member*

Walking past the Community Space, (opposite the CFA) on Tuesday, I spotted new planters full of tomatoes by the entrance, and notice the buzz of activity in the garden. So in I went and introduced myself to the three people working there - Jo, David and John.

The Community Space is now open every day, and these three spend Tuesdays creating beds, moving soil, planting, watering and chatting to all who visit the garden. Fruit trees are fruiting and feeding the birds, tomatoes and strawberries will fruit soon, rocket, lettuce, chives, coriander and parsley are growing. All of the Clunes community can avail themselves of the produce. So pop in. Enjoy the garden, the company, learn how to plant and grow your own veggies in the Community Garden.

The Garden does need help in finding a small glasshouse or shade cloth for seedlings. This will double the available vegetables next year. Anyone who has soil, mulch, worms, sleepers or seedlings to enhance the growth of the gardens can call or drop into the Neighbourhood House or direct to the Community Space on Tuesdays.

The Wood Fire Oven & Gas BBQ are available on request. All welcome.

Contact: Clunes Neighbourhood House or John Paine 5345 3968.

GRASSLANDS project

Clunes Neighbourhood House is proud to be a partner in GRASSLANDS a unique theatrical event taking place in Clunes.

GRASSLANDS is an outdoor theatre show that will be performed and developed in Clunes, created by local theatre makers Rebecca Russell and Ken Evans in collaboration with local and Melbourne based artists and members of the Clunes community.

GRASSLANDS will be staged on the grounds of the Bottle Museum and will be performed on a stage of living native grasses, a hillside created for the event.

GRASSLANDS will incorporate recorded interviews that capture some of the stories and history of the site. With the hillside as a canvas for dance, projection and puppetry accompanied by live looping cello by Kristin Rule and local recorded voices speaking from the heart, GRASSLANDS creates an event that expresses fragile connection to place and the poetry of individual moments in the ongoing busyness of life.

The Natural Temperate Grassland of the Victorian Volcanic Plains is considered Australia's most endangered eco-system. Clunes is situated within the area of the Victorian Volcanic Plains and remnants of Natural Temperate Grasslands still exist mainly beside roadsides and railway lines in our local area. GRASSLANDS explores this fragile ecosystem as a metaphor and the grasslands will be represented by the stage of living native grasses.

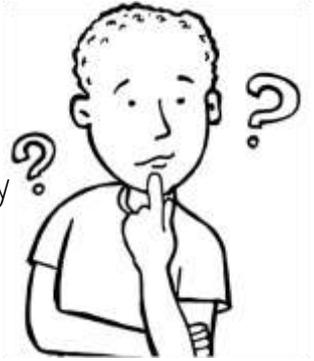
Ecologist Dale Tonkinson will be working with the Clunes Landcare and Waterways Group, Wesley staff and students, the Clunes Community Garden and other interested participants to grow native grasses to create the living stage. Workshops and talks will take place here at the Neighbourhood House where there will be opportunities to become involved with the project, learn more about local native grasses and participate in a series of salons with the artists collaborating on GRASSLANDS.

If you have a personal or family history connected to the former South Clunes School or the various mills which were once at the Bottle Museum site, Rebecca Russell would love to hear from you. Please get in touch with the Neighbourhood House for more information.



CLUNES TUTORING PROGRAM

Clunes Tutoring Program is an initiative of the Youth Programs Reference Group, and is designed to cater for the differing needs of individual students. It offers tuition in key subjects and the opportunity to learn study skills to cope with homework and assignments. It can **also help students 'catch up' after absence from school or illness, or who just want to gain confidence.**



FAQ:

When does the program operate? During school terms on Wednesday afternoons between 4-6pm. Depending on availability of tutors, some sessions may be offered on other weekdays.

Where are tutoring sessions held? All sessions will be held at Clunes Neighbourhood House.

What subjects are being offered? Where possible, our qualified tutors do all they can **to create a unique program to suit individual students' needs.**

Who are the tutors? The tutors are volunteers. Most tutors are fully qualified, registered **teachers. All tutors have a current 'Working with Children Check.'**

Who can use the program? The program is open to all school-aged students, however priority is given to students who live in, or go to school in, Clunes.

How much does it cost? Tuition is provided free of charge. There is a materials charge of \$10.00 per student, per term.

Are places limited? Yes, places are limited. A waiting list is kept when the program is full.

How do I find out more? Drop in to Clunes Neighbourhood House, or phone 5345 4078.

CLUNES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

is seeking to employ two experienced, community orientated professionals for the following Part Time positions:

MANAGER of Clunes Neighbourhood House (18 hours a week)

PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR of Clunes Neighbourhood House (12 hours a week)

This is an exciting opportunity to develop our incorporated Association into a thriving local and cultural hub. The successful applicants will need to demonstrate that they have:

- 1.) experience and/or qualifications in education, community or program development
- 2.) SCHCADS award – Level 5 & 6 or equivalent.

A basic understanding of neighbourhood house operations is preferred.

For further details and Position Descriptions please contact:

co-ordinator@clunesnh.org. Applications close: Friday February 7th 2014

NOTICEBOARD *to list your upcoming event here, phone, email or drop in*

ANGLICARE FOOD BANK

Held on the second Wednesday of the Month, 12.30-1.30, at Clunes Neighbourhood House.

BOOK CLUB

At the Clunes Library every 2nd Thursday of the month at 7.30pm.
Enquiries: Roma 5345 4037.

CLUNES ARTISTS' GROUP

An active group of practising local artists. Activities include: decorating the Clunes Library windows with a changing theme each month; workshops, facilitated by members of the group and the Annual Words in Winter exhibition, held at the Wesley building in Fraser Street. **The Artists' Group meets on the 1st Saturday of each month (except August and January)**, 11.30am at the Bottle Museum. New Members are always welcome.

Contact: Marlene Tozer ph. 5345 3093 or Liz Paszko ph. 5345 3807.

2 DAY MOSAIC WORKSHOP: 5 & 12 April, 1 – 4pm, Facilitator Jo Rye, Materials included, non-members welcome, enquiries ring Marlene Tozer.

FEES: for the above workshops, \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. All fees are to be paid prior to the day of the workshop. Membership is \$15.

CARD CLUB

At Clunes Neighbourhood House. Every first and third Thursday, 5:50-7pm.
Contact Judy 0408 088 119.

CWA CLUNES

meets at the Anglican Church, third Saturday of the month, 10.30am.
New members welcome. Contact Lyndsey Iles 5345 3992 or Judy Burns 0408 088 119.

CLUNES WRITERS GROUP

Friendly non critical group. 2nd Monday of the month, 1:30-3:30pm, Gold coin donation, Clunes Neighbourhood House. Contact Rhonda Fawcett 5476 6227.

TUTORING PROGRAM

Wednesdays 4-6pm, during school term. Registrations essential.
You can register at the Clunes Neighbourhood House.

YOUTH PROGRAMS

Supervised activities for young people aged 5 to 11, at the Anglican Church Hall, Templeton Street (opposite the Police Station) .
3pm-5pm, Tue & Thu afternoons. Saturday mornings , 10am-1pm, for ages 11+.
For more information ring Ana Jones 5345 3969/0411 840 210.



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MORE ABOUT CLUNES NEIGHBOURHOOD HOUSE

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 Tuesday - Friday, 9.45am to 3.15pm

 Manager: manager@clunesnh.org
Co-Ordinator: co-ordinator@clunesnh.org

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Looking for us on the web?

www.ourneighbourhood.org.au



you can also find us on 
www.facebook.com/clunes.house

FREE INTERNET!

Anyone over 50 years old gets free internet access here at Clunes Neighbourhood House via the Broadband for Seniors initiative. Come in anytime and **we'll help you get started.**



FURTHER INFORMATION

Volunteering & Tutors

Clunes Neighbourhood House Inc is managed by a community-based Committee of Management. If you have a suggestion for a course or workshop, let us know and we will try and find a tutor and publicise it. We welcome new tutors and volunteers, please ring us for a chat.

Payment for courses

Your place will not be guaranteed until the fee is paid in advance and an enrolment form is filled out. Weekly

payments available by special arrangement. Receipts issued. If a deposit is required to cover the setup costs of the course, a refund or credit will be given only if the course does not go ahead. Courses will only run if there is sufficient demand. Note: Most classes need a minimum of 4 people to go ahead.

Privacy Policy: Clunes Community Learning Centre respects the right for information privacy. Information collected and held on learners and/or tutors is kept in accordance with information privacy laws.

Clunes Neighbourhood House Inc. acknowledges the support of the Victorian Government.

